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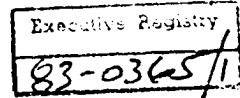
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January 31, 1983



Memorandum

To: The Vice President
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The Secretary of the Treasury
The Secretary of Agriculture
The Secretary of Commerce
The Secretary of Energy
The Attorney General
The Director, Office of Management and Budget
Chairman, Council of Economic Advisors
Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs
Assistant to the President for Policy Development
United States Trade Representative
Director of Central Intelligence

Subject: Follow-up to Senior Interdepartmental Group on International Economic Policy (SIG-IEP) Held January 20, 1983

After our recent SIG-IEP meeting, this Department suspended its tentative decision on the status of Kuwait under Section 1 of the Mineral Lands Leasing Act of 1920. A copy of that suspension order is attached. The Department of Interior is undertaking a review of additional factors and circumstances in connection with the decision on whether Kuwait should be determined to grant "like or similar" privileges under Section 1.

A copy of the final order will be forwarded when the decision is made.

James G. Watt
Secretary of the Interior

Attachment



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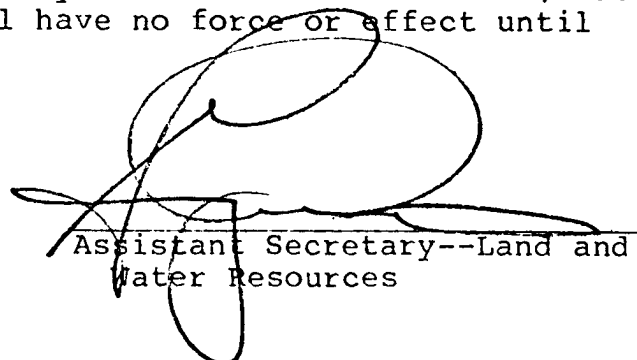
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SUSPENSION OF DECISION ON THE STATUS OF KUWAIT UNDER THE MINERAL LEASING ACT OF 1920 (30 U.S.C. § 181 et seq.)

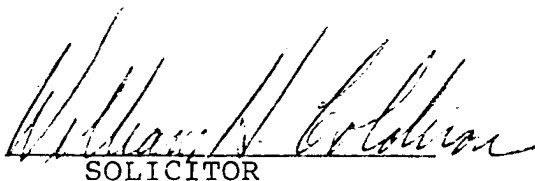
On December 29, 1982, we rendered a preliminary decision on the status of Kuwait under section 1 of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, 30 U.S.C. § 181. Based on our review of available information concerning the laws, customs and regulations of Kuwait and on existing Departmental interpretations of section 1, we tentatively concluded that Kuwait does not deny similar or like privileges to citizens or corporations of the United States within the meaning of section 1. However, since that initial evaluation, it has come to our attention that additional information may exist which should be considered before a final decision is rendered. For this reason, the preliminary decision of December 29, 1982, is hereby suspended and shall have no force or effect until further notice.

Dated: 1/21/83



Assistant Secretary--Land and
Water Resources

I concur:



SOLICITOR

Dated: Jan 21, 1983